

High Level Architecture Management Object Model

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Introduction

This document presents a Federation Object Model (FOM) for the management functions of the DOD High Level Architecture's (HLA) Run Time Infrastructure (RTI). For brevity, it will be referred to as the Management Object Model or MOM.

The MOM uses the same mechanisms for the management of a federation as are used for the exchange of information among federates. So, for example, objects of class `Manager.Federate` contain attributes that describe the characteristics and state of a federate; interactions of class `Manager.Federate` permit queries and control of federates by a `Manager` federate.

The MOM differs from HLA data exchange mechanisms in several ways:

- MOM classes, attributes and parameters are pre-defined for every federation.
- The RTI is responsible for publishing, subscribing to, and generating many of the objects and interactions. Normally, no federate involvement is required.
- A manager federate need only subscribe to the `Manager` object class and subscribe to and publish appropriate `Manager` interaction class to have full access to understanding and control of the member federates of a federation.

The document is organized as follows:

Sections 2 and 3 present MOM information in a form consistent with the DMSO Object Model Template (OMT) described in [DMSO1]. Section 2 describes objects and their attributes; Section 3 describes interactions and their parameters. Understanding these sections requires a familiarity with the HLA time management philosophy presented in [DMSO2].

Section 4 describes the use of the mechanisms presented in Sections 2 and 3. This section assumes familiarity with the HLA data exchange mechanisms specified in [DMSO3].

Sections 5 and 6 propose extensions to the MOM beyond the functionality described above. Section 5 describes new capabilities and Section 6 proposes MOM implementations of functionality currently implemented through the RTI API.

Sections 7 and 8 contain references and acronym expansions.

2. HLA Management Object Model

This section presents the class structure for objects in the MOM and attributes associated with the class. The MOM has only one class, called `Manager` and three subclasses that describe aspects of a Federate, a Federation, and the RTI.

All updates of the `Manager` class use receive order, reliable services for data transmission. No attributes of class `Manager` are transferable.

Table 1. Object Class Structure

| | |
|---------|------------|
| Manager | Federate |
| | Federation |
| | RTI |

Table 2. Object Class Definition

| Object Class | Definition |
|--------------|--|
| Federate | Federate and RTI functionality associated with it. |
| Federation | Federation and RTI functionality associated with it. |
| RTI | RTI characteristics |

Table 3. Object Attributes

| Class | Attribute | Data Type | Update Type | Notes |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| Manager. Federate | FederateFederation | text | static | |
| | FederateHost | text | static | |
| | FederateHandle | handle | static | |
| | FederateLookahead | float | periodic | [2] |
| | FederateName | text | static | |
| | FederateState | enumerated | conditional | [1] |
| | FederateTime | float | periodic | [2] |
| | TimeConstrained | boolean | conditional | [1] |
| | TimeRegulating | boolean | conditional | [1] |
| Manager. Federation | FederationName | text | static | |
| | FederationState | enumerated | conditional | [1] |
| | FederationTime | float | periodic | [3] |
| Manager.RTI | RTIVersion | text | static | |

[note 1] Conditional attributes are updated only when the value changes.

[note 2] Periodic attributes to class `Manager.Federate` objects are updated at the rate set by the `Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming` interaction.

[note 3] Periodic attributes to class `Manager.Federation` objects are updated at the rates set by the `Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming` interaction.

Table 4. Object Attribute Definitions

| Attribute | Definition |
|--------------------|---|
| FederateFederation | The federation that a federate belongs to |
| FederateHost | The name of the computer that is hosting the federate. |
| FederateHandle | A value assigned to the federate. |
| FederateLookahead | The lookahead of the federate as determined by the federate. |
| FederateName | An arbitrary name. It need not be unique in the federation. |
| FederateState | The current activity of the federate. Possible values are idle awaiting directions running processing normally saving saving state restoring restoring state damaged incapable of processing normally joining joining the federation resigning resigning from the federation resigned resigned from the federation |
| FederateTime | The local time of the federate. |
| FederationName | The name of a federation |
| FederationState | The current activity of the federation. Possible values are idle awaiting directions running processing normally saving saving state restoring restoring state |
| FederationTime | The logical time of a federation |
| RTIVersion | The version of the RTI in use. |
| TimeConstrained | Whether the time advance of a federate is constrained by the time of other federates in the federation. |
| TimeRegulating | Whether a federate intends to regulate the time advance of other federates in the federation. |

3. HLA Management Interaction Model

This section presents the interactions that are a part of the MOM. The interactions represent reports from individual federates on anomalies (`Manager.Federate.Alert`), queries from the manager federate to a federate (`Manager.Federate.Query`) or to a federation (`Manager.Federation.Query`), responses by federates to the queries (`Manager.Federate.Response`), and directives by the manager federate to a federate (`Manager.Federate.Action`) or to a federation (`Manager.Federation.Action`).

All interactions of the `Manager` class use receive order, reliable services for data transmission.

Table 5. Interaction Class Structure

| | | | |
|---------|------------|----------|---------------|
| Manager | Federate | Action | SetTiming |
| | | Alert | |
| | | Response | WhoPublishes |
| | | Response | WhoSubscribes |
| | Federation | Action | SetTiming |
| | | Query | WhoPublishes |
| | | Query | WhoSubscribes |

Note: the `Manager` interaction class structure is more complex than is needed for the capabilities presented—this permits future expansion of the MOM and extension by later federate developers.

Table 6. Interaction Definitions

| Interaction Class | Definition |
|--|---|
| <code>Manager.Federate.Action.SetTiming</code> | Management federate specifies timing parameters for a federate. |
| <code>Manager.Federate.Alert</code> | Federate indicates that an anomaly has occurred. |
| <code>Manager.Federate.Response.WhoPublishes</code> | Federate replies to a publishing query if it is responsible for publishing an attribute of an object. |
| <code>Manager.Federate.Response.WhoSubscribes</code> | Federate replies to a subscribing query if it subscribes to an attribute of an object. |
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming</code> | Management federate specifies timing parameters for a federation |
| <code>Manager.Federation.Query.WhoPublishes</code> | Management federate asks which federate is publishing an attribute of an object. |
| <code>Manager.Federation.Query.WhoSubscribes</code> | Management federate asks which federate is subscribing to an attribute of an object. |

Table 7. Interactions

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|---|------------------|-----------------|--|-------|
| Manager.Federate. Action.SetTiming | Federate | Federate | ToFederate Lookahead TimeConstrained TimeRegulating | |
| Manager.Federation. Action.SetTiming | Federate | Federate | ToFederation Federate- ReportFrequency Federation- ReportFrequency | |
| Manager.Federate. Alert | Federate | | FromFederate AlertSeverity AlertText AlertID | |
| Manager.Federation. Query.WhoPublishes | Federate | Federation | ObjectID AttributeHandle | |
| Manager.Federation. Query.WhoSubscribes | Federate | Federation | ObjectID AttributeHandle | |
| Manager.Federate. Response.WhoPublishes | Federate | Federate | FromFederate ObjectID AttributeHandle | |
| Manager.Federate. Response. WhoSubscribes | Federate | Federate | FromFederate ObjectID AttributeHandle | |

Table 8. Interaction Parameters

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|--------------------------------|------------|---------|--------------|
| AlertID | enumerated | | |
| AlertSeverity | integer | | |
| AlertText | text | | |
| AttributeHandle | handle | | |
| Federate- ReportFrequency | integer | Seconds | Elapsed time |
| Federation- ReportFrequency | integer | Seconds | Elapsed time |
| FromFederate | handle | | |
| Lookahead | float | | |
| ObjectID | handle | | |
| TimeConstrained | boolean | | |
| TimeRegulating | boolean | | |

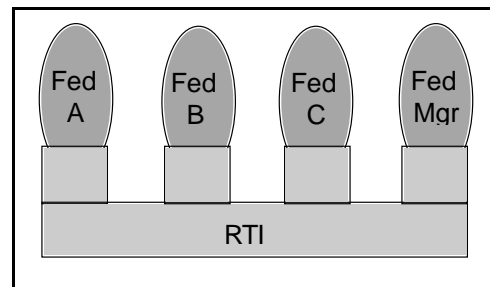
| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|--------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| ToFederate | handle | | |
| ToFederation | handle | | |

Table 9. Parameter Definitions

| Parameter | Definition |
|----------------------------|---|
| AlertID | An identifier associated with an alert. |
| AlertSeverity | Severity of an alert. |
| AlertText | Text describing the alert. |
| AttributeHandle | The handle of an attribute. |
| Federate-ReportFrequency | The wall clock time interval between updates of the Federate-Time and FederateLookahead attributes of objects of class Manager.Federate belonging to a federation |
| Federation-ReportFrequency | The wall clock time interval between updates of the FederationTime attribute of an object of class Manager.Federation. |
| FromFederate | Federate initiating the interaction |
| Lookahead | The logical lookahead value of the federate. |
| ObjectID | The identifier of an object |
| TimeConstrained | Whether the time advance of a federate should be constrained by the time of other federates. |
| TimeRegulating | Whether a federate should participate in the time advance of other federates. |
| ToFederate | Federate targeted for the interaction. |
| ToFederation | Federation targeted for the interaction. |

4. Use of MOM

This section discusses the use of the MOM in a federation. The functioning of the elements of the MOM is presented in the form of examples. Since the MOM is primarily intended for use by a manager federate, all examples contain one. All examples also use the following figure to illustrate activity—the figure depicts a federation of three normal federates and one Manager federate.



By default, the publishing, subscribing, and generation status of classes, objects, and interactions is as follows:

- The RTI publishes (but does not subscribe to) the `Manager.Federate` class for each federate, the `Manager.Federation` class for each federation and the `Manager.RTI` class.
- The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for defined attributes of the `Manager.Federate` object class of each federate, the `Manager.Federation` object class for each federation and the `Manager.RTI` object class as appropriate.
- The RTI publishes (but does not subscribe to) the `Manager.Federate.Alert` and `Manager.Federate.Response` interaction classes for each federate.
- The RTI subscribes to (but does not publish) the `Manager.Federate.Action`, the `Manager.Federation.Action`, and `Manager.Federation.Query` interaction classes for each federate and federation.
- The RTI generates interactions of class `Manager.Federate.Alert` and `Manager.Federate.Response` for each federate as appropriate.

Normally, a Manager federate publishes, subscribes to, and generates classes, objects, and interactions is as follows:

- The Manager federate subscribes to and publishes all desired subclasses of the `Manager` object class.
- The Manager federate subscribes to all desired subclasses of the `Manager.Federate.Alert` and `Manager.Federate.Response` interaction classes.
- The Manager federate publishes and generates interactions of all subclasses of the `Manager.Federate.Action`, `Manager.Federation.Action` and `Manager.Federate.Query` interaction classes.

4.1 Federate Object Updates

Assume that the federation is executing under the following conditions:

- Federates A, B, and C have not received any directions regarding timing.
- The RTI automatically publishes all specified attributes for the `Manager.Federate` object class for each federate and registers an instance of the `Manager.Federate` object class for each federate.

- The Manager federate subscribes to all desired attributes of the `Manager.Federate` object class.

4.1.1 Snapshot

If the Manager federate is interested in a snapshot of the status of all federates in a federation, the following sequence of information exchanges occurs

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Request Class Attribute Value Update** service for the `Manager.Federate` class.
2. The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for each federate. Since the RTI can respond to all aspects of the request, it does not pass any aspect of the request to the federates.
3. The RTI sends the information to the *Fed Mgr* by invoking the **Reflect Attribute Values** service. When all information from all federates is received, the Manager federate has its snapshot data.

4.1.2 Regular Updates

If the Manager federate is interested in receiving regular updates of the status of all federates in a federation, the following sequence of information exchanges occurs

1. *Fed Mgr* sends an interaction of class `Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming` with the desired interval provided in parameter `FederateReportFrequency`.
2. The RTI sets internal timers appropriate to the `FederateReportFrequency` parameter. Since the RTI can respond to all aspects of the interaction, it does not pass any aspect of the request to the federates.
3. When a timer expires for a federate, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for the appropriate `Manager.Federate` object and resets the timer to the specified interval.
4. The RTI sends the information to *Fed Mgr* by invoking the **Reflect Attribute Values** service.

4.2 Alerts

Assume that the federation is executing under the following conditions:

- The RTI automatically publishes interactions for the `Manager.Federate.alert` interaction classes for each federate.
- The Manager federate subscribes to interactions of the `Manager.Federate.alert` class.

4.2.1 Federate Anomaly

If some anomaly occurs in federate A,

1. *Fed A* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Alert` and information describing the anomaly.
2. The RTI ignores the interaction for *Fed B* and *Fed C* since neither had subscribed to interactions of class `Manager.Federate.Alert`.
3. The RTI passes the information to *Fed Mgr* by invoking the **Receive Interaction** service; *Fed Mgr* processes the alert accordingly.

4.2.2 RTI Anomaly

If some anomaly occurs in the RTI functionality,

1. The RTI invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Alert` and information describing the anomaly.
2. The RTI does not send the interaction to *Fed A*, *Fed B*, and *Fed C* since they had not subscribed to interactions of class `Manager.Federate.Alert`.
3. The RTI passes the information to *Fed Mgr* by invoking the **Receive Interaction** service; *Fed Mgr* processes the alert accordingly.

4.3 Time Advance Control

The Manager federate can control the extent to which a federate uses the logical times of other federates to control its own time advance and to participate in other federates logical time advance.

4.3.1 Time Constrained

If federates A, B, and C are fully participating in logical time advance, but it is desired to remove the constraint of coordinated time advance for federate C,

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Action.SetTiming` and parameter `TimeConstrained` set to `False` addressing *Fed C*.
2. The RTI subsequently permits *Fed C* to advance its logical time without regard to the logical times of *Fed A* and *Fed B*. *Fed C* is not aware of the action. The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for *Fed C* with attribute `TimeConstrained` set to `false`.

4.3.2 Time Regulating

If federates A, B, and C are fully participating in logical time advance, but it is desired that federate C should no longer participate in the logical time advance for federates A and B,

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Action.SetTiming` and parameter `TimeRegulating` set to `False` addressing *Fed C*.
2. The RTI removes reference to *Fed C* from consideration for time advance for *Fed A* and *Fed B*. All subsequent output from *Fed C* is treated as if it were using **Receive Order** services. The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for *Fed C* with attribute `TimeRegulating` set to `false`.

4.3.3 Lookahead

If federates A, B, and C are fully participating in logical time advance, but it is desired to change the lookahead value for federate C,

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Action.SetTiming` and parameter `Lookahead` set to the a new value addressing *Fed C*.
2. The RTI changes the internal value for lookahead for *Fed C* and uses this value for new data emanating from *Fed C*. The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for *Fed C* with attribute `FederateLookahead` set to the new value.

5. Expansion of MOM Capabilities

The MOM functionality described in Sections 2, 3, and 4 of this document depict a minimal capability necessary for implementing a federate that can effectively manage a federation. This section proposes expansion of that functionality to permit a more robust Manager federate.

5.1 Increased State Data

Attributes could be added to the `Manager` object class to provide a broader insight into the status and health of the federate. The expansion proposed here breaks out the number of objects that are owned and reflected by the federate, describes the amount of activity passing to and from the federate, and provides insight into the queues that the RTI maintains for each federate.

These added attributes would be used and accessed in the same manner as those described in Section 4.1. Added timer parameters are specified below to permit control of the frequency of update of each set of state data.

In FOM terms, the Object Attributes table is expanded as follows:

| Class | Attribute | Data Type | Update Type | Notes |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| Manager . Federate | ClassesOwned | vector | periodic | [1] |
| | QueueFIFOLength | integer | periodic | [2] |
| | QueueTSOHead | float | periodic | [2] |
| | QueueTSOLength | integer | periodic | [2] |
| | InDiscovers | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | InInteractions | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | InRemoves | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | InRetractions | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | InUpdates | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | OutDeletes | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | OutInteractions | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | OutRetractions | integer | periodic | [3] |
| | OutUpdates | integer | periodic | [3] |

[note 1] Attribute `ClassesOwned` is updated at the frequency set by the `OwnedReportFrequency` parameter to the `Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming` interaction.

[note 2] Attributes `QueueFIFOLength` and `QueueTSO` are updated at the frequency set by the `QueueReportFrequency` parameter to the `Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming` interaction.

[note 3] Attributes `In ...` and `Out ...` are updated at the frequency set by the `TransportReportFrequency` parameter to the `Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming` interaction.

The Object Attribute Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Attribute | Definition |
|-----------------|---|
| ClassesOwned | Vector of data triplets; each triplet describes the number of objects owned and reflected by this federate and consists of class an object class owned the number of objects of class whose PrivilegeToDelete attribute is owned by the federate reflected the number of objects of class whose PrivilegeToDelete attribute is reflected by the federate |
| InDiscovers | Number of Discover Object services processed by the federate |
| InInteractions | Number of Receive Interaction services processed by the federate |
| InRemoves | Number of Remove Object services processed by the federate |
| InRetractions | Number of Reflect Retraction services processed by the federate |
| InUpdates | Number of Reflect Attribute Value services processed by the federate |
| OutDeletes | Number of Delete Object services invoked by the federate |
| OutInteractions | Number of Send Interaction services invoked by the federate |
| OutRetractions | Number of Retract services invoked by the federate |
| OutUpdates | Number of Update Attribute Value services invoked by the federate |
| QueueFIFOLength | The number of entries in the FIFO queue maintained for the federate |
| QueueTSOHead | The time on the message that is at the head of the TSO queue. |
| QueueTSOLength | The number of entries in the TSO queue. |

The Interactions table is expanded to add three parameters to the `Federate.Action.SetTiming` interaction as follows:

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---|-------|
| Manager.Federation.Action.SetTiming | Federate | Federate | Transport-ReportFrequency Owned-ReportFrequency Queue-ReportFrequency | |

The Interactions Parameters table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|---------------------------|-----------|---------|--------------|
| Owned-ReportFrequency | integer | Seconds | Elapsed time |
| Queue-ReportFrequency | integer | Seconds | Elapsed time |
| Transport-ReportFrequency | integer | Seconds | Elapsed time |

The Parameters Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Definition |
|---------------------------|---|
| Owned-ReportFrequency | The wall clock time interval between federate updates of the <code>ClassesOwned</code> attribute of the <code>Manager.Federate</code> objects in a federation |
| Queue-ReportFrequency | The wall clock time interval between federate updates of the <code>QueueFIFOLength</code> , <code>QueueTSOHead</code> , and <code>QueueTSOLength</code> attributes of the <code>Manager.Federate</code> objects in a federation |
| Transport-ReportFrequency | The wall clock time interval between federate updates of the attributes beginning <code>In...</code> and <code>Out...</code> in the <code>Manager.Federate</code> object in a federation |

5.2 Added Query

Queries can be added to the `Manager` interaction class to permit deeper probing into the state of the federate. Queries are used instead of object attributes because of the likely infrequency of request and the volume of information requested. The two queries proposed here ask for which objects are owned and reflected by a federate.

In FOM terms, the Interaction Class Structure table is expanded as follows:

| | | | |
|---------|----------|----------|--------------|
| Manager | Federate | Query | OwnsWhat |
| | | | ReflectsWhat |
| | | Response | OwnsWhat |
| | | | ReflectsWhat |

The Interactions table is expanded to add three parameters to the `Federate.Action.Set-Timing` interaction as follows:

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|---|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------|
| <code>Manager.Federate.Query.OwnsWhat</code> | Federate | Federate | ToFederate | |
| <code>Manager.Federate.Query.ReflectsWhat</code> | Federate | Federate | ToFederate | |
| <code>Manager.Federate.Response.OwnsWhat</code> | Federate | Federate | FromFederate ObjectsOwned | |
| <code>Manager.Federate.Response.ReflectsWhat</code> | Federate | Federate | FromFederate ObjectsReflected | |

The Interactions Parameters table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|------------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| ObjectsOwned | vector | | |
| ObjectsReflected | vector | | |
| ToFederate | handle | | |

The Parameters Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Definition |
|------------------|---|
| ObjectsOwned | <p>Vector of data pairs; each pair describes an object whose <code>PrivilegeToDelete</code> attribute is owned by the federate</p> <p>Class The class of the object</p> <p>ObjectID The identifier of the object.</p> |
| ObjectsReflected | <p>Vector of data pairs; each pair describes an object whose <code>PrivilegeToDelete</code> attribute is reflected by the federate</p> <p>Class The class of the object</p> <p>ObjectID The identifier of the object.</p> |
| ToFederate | Federate targeted for the interaction. |

6. Extension of the MOM Concept

This section proposes that the MOM concept could be extended to replace the API in many of the control functions performed by the RTI. The paragraphs below describe how Federate class interactions could be used to perform the API activities.

Advantages to this approach include:

- **Extensible.** The definitions included in this document are fixed for all RTI uses (all Federations know about these objects and interactions whether they use them or not). However, they can be extended in two ways: (1) by increasing the capabilities of the RTI, and (2) by increasing the capabilities of the federates. Since the objects and interactions follow all HLA rules, they can be extended by the federates and used as needed.
- **Loggable.** To the extent that any information passed by the RTI is loggable, the MOM object and interaction activities are loggable. No special logic is needed to capture the management activity as is needed with the API approach.
- **Intuitive.** The MOM approach uses the HLA methodology and documentation standards. As such, it should be familiar and intuitive to developers and users of federates. It simplifies toward a single approach to control of the federation.

Disadvantages to this approach include:

- **Documentation Changes.** The current documentation of the RTI [DMSO3] describes an API approach to control, both from the viewpoint of a normal federate and from that of a manager federate. This documentation would need to be revised. Similarly, the documentation for the MOM would need to become part of the HLA document set.
- **Queue Control.** The RTI must exercise additional control over queues for each federate. It must treat activity with class `Manager` in a special manner (attribute updates, interactions, etc.): this activity must go to the head of the queues so that it is treated internally as it arrives and is processed ahead of all other calls to the Federate.

6.1 Federation Membership

A Manager federate could control the membership in a federation using interactions.

If a manager federate wanted to cause a federate to resign from a federation, the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service for *Fed C* with class `Manager.Federate.Action.Resign`.
2. The RTI causes *Fed C* to resign from the federation. Since the RTI can respond to all aspects of the interaction, it does not pass any aspect of the request to the federate.
3. During the resigning process, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for *Fed C* with attribute `FederateState` set to `resigning`. After completion of the resigning process, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for *Fed C* with attribute `FederateState` set to `resigned`.

In FOM terms, the Interaction Class Structure table is expanded as follows:

| | | | |
|---------|----------|--------|--------|
| Manager | Federate | Action | Resign |
|---------|----------|--------|--------|

The Interactions Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction Class | Definition |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Manager.Federate. Action.Resign | Management federate directs another federate to resign from a federation. |

The Interactions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|-------|
| Manager.Federate. Action.Resign | Federate | Federate | ToFederate | |

The Interactions Parameters table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| ToFederate | handle | | |

The Parameter Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Definition |
|------------|-----------------------------------|
| ToFederate | Federate targeted for the resign. |

6.2 Ownership Passing

A Manager federate could control the ownership of attributes of objects.

If the manager federate wanted to cause a federate to take ownership of a set of attributes belonging to an object, the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Action.TakeOwnership` destined for *Fed C*, an object handle in parameter `Object`, and a set of attributes in parameter `Attributes`.
2. The RTI passes the direction to *Fed C* and ownership is assumed using existing API mechanisms (using the **Request Attribute Ownership Acquisition** service).

If the manager federate wanted to cause a federate to give up ownership of a set of attributes belonging to an object, the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federate.Action.ReleaseOwnership` destined for *Fed C*, an object handle in parameter `Federation`, and a set of attributes in parameter `Attributes`.
2. The RTI passes the direction to *Fed C* and ownership is assumed using existing API mechanisms (using the **Request Attribute Ownership Divestiture** service).

In FOM terms, the Interaction Class Structure table is expanded as follows:

| | | | |
|---------|----------|--------|------------------|
| Manager | Federate | Action | TakeOwnership |
| | | | ReleaseOwnership |

The Interactions Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction Class | Definition |
|--|---|
| Manager.Federate. Action.TakeOwnership | Management federate directs another federate to take ownership of attributes of an object. |
| Manager.Federate. Action. ReleaseOwnership | Management federate directs another federate to release ownership of attributes of an object. |

The Interactions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|--|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|-------|
| Manager.Federate. Action.TakeOwnership | Federate | Federate | ToFederate Object Attributes | |
| Manager.Federate. Action. ReleaseOwnership | Federate | Federate | ToFederate Object Attributes | |

The Interactions Parameters table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| Attributes | vector | | |
| Object | handle | | |
| ToFederate | handle | | |

The Parameter Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Definition |
|------------|--|
| Attributes | A vector of attribute handles. |
| Object | A specific object handle. |
| ToFederate | Federate targeted for the interaction. |

6.3 Time Interruption

A Manager federate could stop and start the evolution of time in the federation.

If the manager federate wanted to pause the federation time advance (to break for lunch, for example), the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes a **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federation.Action.Pause` and a future time in parameter `Time`.
2. When the time is reached, the RTI ceases passing TSO or FIFO information to all federates and passes pause order to all federates; and the federates pause using existing API mechanisms (using the **Initiate Pause** service).
3. The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for all federates with attribute `FederateState` set to `idle`.

If the manager federate wanted to resume the federation time advance (after the break for lunch, for example), the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federation.Action.Resume`.
2. The RTI resumes passing TSO or FIFO information to all federates and passes the direction to all federates; and the federates resume from the pause using existing API mechanisms (using the **Initiate Resume** service).
3. The RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for all federates with attribute `FederateState` set to running.

In FOM terms, the Interaction Class Structure table is expanded as follows:

| | | | |
|---------|------------|--------|-------|
| Manager | Federation | Action | Pause |
| | | | Start |

The Interactions Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction Class | Definition |
|--|---|
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Pause</code> | Manager federate directs other federates to pause. |
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Start</code> | Manager federate directs other federates to resume running. |

The Interactions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|--|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Pause</code> | Federate | Federate | Federation Time | |
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Start</code> | Federate | Federate | Federation | |

The Interactions Parameters table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| Federation | handle | | |
| Time | float | | |

The Parameter Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Definition |
|------------|---|
| Federation | The federation that is to take action on the order |
| Time | The federate time that an activity (pause, save, restore) should occur. |

6.4 State Saving

A Manager federate could cause state to be saved and restored for the federation.

If the federation manager wanted to cause the federation to save its state at federation time 12.000 and give the saved state an identifier of “george”, the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federation.Action.Save`, 12.000 in parameter `Time` and “george” in parameter `SaveID`.
2. When the time is reached, the RTI ceases passing TSO or FIFO information to all federates and passes the save order to all federates and begins to save its own state; the federates save state using existing API mechanisms (using the **Initiate Federate Save** service).
3. During the saving process, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for each federate with attribute `FederateState` set to `saving`.
4. After completion of the saving process, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for each federate with attribute `FederateState` set to `running`; it then resumes passing TSO and FIFO information.

If the federation manager wanted to cause the federation to restore its state from a saved state with an identifier of “george”, the following sequence of information exchanges might occur

1. *Fed Mgr* invokes the **Send Interaction** service with class `Manager.Federation.Action.Restore` and “george” in parameter `SaveID`.
2. The RTI ceases passing TSO or FIFO information to all federates, passes the restore order to all federates, and begins restoring the RTI state; the federates restore state using existing API mechanisms (using the **Initiate Restore** service).
3. During the restoring process, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for each federate with attribute `FederateState` set to `restoring`.
4. After completion of the restoring process, the RTI invokes the **Update Attribute Values** service for each federate with attribute `FederateState` set to `idle`.

In FOM terms, the Interaction Class Structure table is expanded as follows:

| | | | |
|---------|------------|--------|---------|
| Manager | Federation | Action | Restore |
| | | | Save |

The Interactions Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction Class | Definition |
|--|---|
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Restore</code> | Management federate directs other federates to restore their state. |
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Save</code> | Management federate directs other federates to save their state. |

The Interactions table is expanded as follows:

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|--|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| <code>Manager.Federation.Action.Restore</code> | Federate | Federate | Federation SaveID | |
| <code>Manager.Federation.</code> | Federate | Federate | Federation | |

| Interaction | Initiating Class | Receiving Class | Parameters | Notes |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------|
| Action.Save | | | Time SaveID | |

The Interactions Parameters table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Data Type | Units | Notes |
|------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| Federation | handle | | |
| SaveID | text | | |
| Time | float | | |

The Parameter Definitions table is expanded as follows:

| Parameter | Definition |
|------------|--|
| Federation | The federation that is to perform the save or restore. |
| SaveID | Identifier to associate with a state save. |
| Time | The federate time that a save should occur. |

6.5 Other Actions

Other actions that could be performed using the `Manager` class of objects and attributes include

- Changing the values of attributes
- Reporting the classes of objects and interactions that were subscribed to by a federate and changing the subscriptions using a `Manager` interaction (subscribing and unsubscribing).
- Reporting the classes of objects and interactions that were published to by a federate and changing the publications using a `Manager` interaction (publishing and unpublishing).

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8. Acronyms and Abbreviations

| | |
|-------------|--|
| API | Application Program Interface |
| DMSO | Defense Modeling and Simulation Office |
| DOD | Department of Defense |
| FIFO | First-In, First-Out |
| FOM | Federation Object Model |
| HLA | High Level Architecture |
| MOM | Management Object Model |
| OMT | Object Model Template |
| RO | Receive Order |
| RTI | Run Time Infrastructure |
| TSO | Time Stamp Order |

